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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

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9 AFFAIRS TO STUDY A METHOD FOR DETERRING THREATS OF
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18 WHEREAS, elected officials in this State are often required to exercise
19 their discretion and judgment in making decisions for the citizens of this
20 state and often must make decisions resulting in the dissatisfaction of
21 certain individuals;

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23 WHEREAS, as a result of these decision certain individuals threaten
24 elected officials with the loss of employment, business contracts, referrals,
25 investments and other threats of economic loss to encourage elected officials
26 to promote the individual's interests;

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28 WHEREAS, in addition to causing unnecessary economic losses to elected
29 officials, these action are detrimental to the citizens of the state because
30 they encourage decision making based on the interests of a minority of
31 individuals who attempt to use threats as a means of achieving their
32 purposes. In addition these threatening actions discourage citizens of the
33 state from seeking election to certain state offices;

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NOW THEREFORE,
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE
OF ARKANSAS:

That the Senate Committee on Aging and Legislative Affairs conduct a study to determine possible legislative action or ethics code proposals for the Arkansas State Senate regarding the issue of threats of economic harm to elected officials in an attempt to promote a specific individual or group interest.

